

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 68 – Notaries Public

Section 1 and 6

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1990 Supplement)

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Section 11, 12, and 13

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 36 – Fees of Officers

23.

(a) The Secretary of State shall adopt rules and regulations to establish fees, not to exceed \$2 for an original notarial act, and an appropriate lesser amount for the repetition of that original notarial act or to make a copy of the matter addressed by that original notarial act.

(b) A notary public may charge 19 cents per mile, or a higher amount set by regulation of the Secretary of State, ~~AND A FEE OF \$10~~ NOT TO EXCEED \$5, as compensation for travel required for the performance of a notarial act.

Article 68 – Notaries Public

1.

(a) (1) The Governor, on approval of the application by a senator representing the senatorial district and subdistrict in which the applicant resides, shall appoint and commission in his discretion and judgment any number of persons as notaries public, as provided herein.

(2) The Governor, on approval of the application by the Secretary of State, shall appoint and commission out-of-state [court reporters] INDIVIDUALS as notaries public, as provided in this article.

(b) (1) Every person appointed shall be at least 18 years of age, of good moral character and integrity, [a resident in this State for a period of 1 year prior to appointment] LIVE OR WORK IN THIS STATE, and IF LIVING IN THIS STATE, BE a resident of the senatorial district from which he or she is appointed.

(2) [The residence requirements shall not apply to persons having an appointment as an official court reporter by any court of any county or Baltimore City.